CHAPTER 136

[House Bill No. 134]

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES -- NAVIGABLE WATERS --WOOD DEBRIS -- REMOVAL AUTHORIZATION

AN ACT Relating to the removal of wood debris from the navigable waters of the state of Washington; adding a new chapter to Title 76 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

NEW SECTION. Section 1. Sections 2 through 8 of this act shall constitute a new chapter in Title 76 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This chapter authorizes the removal of wood debris from navigable waters of the state of Washington. It shall be the duty of the department of natural resources to administer and enforce the provisions of this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. "Wood debris" as used in this chapter is wood that is adrift on navigable waters or has been adrift thereon and stranded on beaches, marshes, or navigable and shorelands and which is not merchantable or economically salvageable under the Log Patrol Act, chapter 76.40 RCW.

"Removal" as used in this chapter shall include all activities necessary for the collection and disposal of such wood debris: PROVIDED, That nothing herein provided shall permit removal of wood debris from private property without written consent of the owner.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. The department of natural resources may by contract, license, or permit, or other arrangements, cause such wood debris to be removed by licensed log patrolmen, other private contractors, department of natural resources employees, or by other public bodies. Nothing contained in this chapter shall prohibit any individual from using any nonmerchantable wood debris for his own personal use.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. The department of natural resources create, maintain, and administer within the log patrol revolving fund a separate account to be known as the debris removal This account shall consist of moneys recovered from the sale of debris as defined in section 3 of this 1973 act, moneys transferred from the log patrol revolving fund as provided in section 6 of this 1973 act. This account shall be used to pay for removal of wood debris, and for salaries, wages, and other operating expenses arising under the administration of this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. Moneys may be transferred within the log patrol revolving fund to the debris removal account not to exceed fifty percent of the total revenue of the log patrol revolving fund during each bimonthly period. The debris removal account balance shall not exceed ten thousand dollars and shall be in addition to the amount specified in RCW 76.40.015.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. It shall be unlawful to dispose of wood debris by depositing such material into any of the navigable waters of this state, except as authorized by law including any discharge or deposit allowed to be made under and in compliance with chapter 90.48 RCW and any rules or regulations duly promulgated thereunder. Violation of this section shall be a misdemeanor.

NEW SECTION: Sec. 8. The department of natural resources shall adopt and enforce such rules and regulations as may be deemed necessary for administering this chapter.

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CHAPTER 137

[House Bill No. 224]

EXECUTIVE CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT--EXPANSION--CIVIL PENALTIES

AN ACT Relating to officers and employees of the state of Washington; amending section 13, chapter 234, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 42.18.130; amending section 29, chapter 234, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 42.18.290; amending section 30, chapter 234, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 42.18.300; repealing section 39, chapter 234, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 42.18.340; and prescribing penalties.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

Section 1. Section 13, chapter 234, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 42.18.130 are each amended to read as follows:

"State employee" means any individual who is appointed by an agency head, as defined in RCW 42.18.040, or his designee, and serves under the supervision and authority of an agency as defined in RCW 42.18.030.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term "state employee" shall not include any of the following: